Topical Heading

Special Education

Program Title

Special Education—Personnel Development to Improve Services and Results for Children with Disabilities

Also Known as

Special Education—National Activities—Personnel Preparation

CFDA # (or ED #)

84.325

Administering Office

Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services (OSERS)

Who May Apply (by category)

Institutions of Higher Education (IHEs), Local Education Agencies (LEAs), Nonprofit Organizations, Other Organizations and/or Agencies, State Education Agencies (SEAs)

Who May Apply (specifically)

In addition to the categories above, public charter schools that are LEAs under state law, other public agencies, private nonprofit organizations, for-profit organizations, outlying areas (American Samoa, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands, and the U.S. Virgin Islands), freely associated states, and Indian tribes or tribal organizations.

Current Competitions

FY 2006 application deadlines vary throughout the year.

- Application deadlines for Preparation of Leadership Personnel (# 84.325D), National Center to Enhance Training of School Personnel (# 84.325F), and Combined Priority for Personnel Preparation (# 84.325 K): expected spring or early summer.
- Application deadline for Interdisciplinary Preservice Programs in Large-Scale Special Education Research (# 84.325L): to be determined.
- Application deadline for Principal Leadership Professional Development Center (# 84.325P): March 24, 2006.
- Application deadline for the Center on High Quality Personnel in Inclusive Preschool Settings (# 84.325S): Jan. 30, 2006.

Type of Assistance (by category)

Discretionary/Competitive Grants, Contracts, Cooperative Agreements

Appropriations

Fiscal Year 2004	$91,356,796
Fiscal Year 2005	$90,626,144
Fiscal Year 2006	$89,719,740

Fiscal Year 2006 Awards Information

Note: The Department is not bound by any estimates in this notice.

Number of New Awards Anticipated: For # 84.325D—24; for # 84.325F—1; for # 84.325K—69; for # 84.325L—1; for # 84.325P—1; for # 84.325S—1
Average New Award: For # 84.325D—$196,000; for # 84.325F—$1,250,000; for # 84.325K—$196,000; for # 84.325L—$450,000; for # 84.325P—$265,000; for # 84.325S—$450,000
Range of New Awards: For # 84.325D—$164,000–$200,000; for # 84.325F—$1,150,000–$1,350,000; for # 84.325K—$164,000–$200,000; for # 84.325L—$425,000–$475,000; for # 84.325P—$245,000–$285,000; for # 84.325S—$400,000–$500,000

Number of Continuation Awards: For # 84.325D—80; for # 84.325K—75
Average Continuation Award: For # 84.325D—$285,360; for # 85.325K—$198,270
Range of Continuation Awards: For # 84.325D—$164,000–$200,000; for # 84.325K—$160,000–$200,000

Legislative Citation

Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (*IDEA*), Sec. 662; 20 *U.S.C.* 1462.

Program Regulations

EDGAR; 34 *CFR* 304

Program Description

The purpose of this program is to (1) help address state-identified needs for highly qualified personnel in special education, related services, early intervention, and regular education to work with children with disabilities and (2) ensure that those personnel have the skills and knowledge, derived from practices that have been determined through research and experience to be successful, needed to serve these children.

Types of Projects

Awards are made to train personnel in the following areas: leadership; early intervention and early childhood; low-incidence; high-incidence; related services, speech/language, and adapted physical education; and programs in minority institutions.

Education Level (by category)

Postsecondary, Adult

Subject Index

Disabilities, Early Childhood Education, Early Intervention, Professional Development, Special Education

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